

in bright chariots, irreproachable,
auspicious, motive,
unobstructed.

H. Who knows of a certainty their
(abode), where
the intimidators (of their foes) rejoice?
born for (the
distribution of) water, exempt from
defects.

15. Desirous of praise, you are the
guides (to hap-
piness) of the man who propitiates
(you) by this
pious rite: you are bearers of
invocations to the
sacrifice.

16. Do you, who are destroyers of the
malevolent,
abounding in wealth, and entitled to
adoration, bestow
upon us desirable riches.

17. Bear to RiRBfiVA,¹ oh night,⁸
turning away
(from me to him), this my eulogy (of the
MARUTS) :
convey my praises, goddess, as a
charioteer (conveys
the contents of his vehicle to their
destination);

18. And say on my behalf to RATHAvfii,
when the
libation is poured out, my love (for your
daughter)
does not depart.

19. This opulent EATHAvfn dwells upon
the (banks
of the) *Gmati* (river),³ and has his
home on (the
skirts of) the (*Himalaya*) mountains.

¹ The patronymic is also read in some places
Ddttkya.

^a Upon concluding the praises of the *Maruts*,
and thus having
Attained the rank of a *Riski*, SYAVASWA, summons
the night,
here called *trmyd*, to convey the intelligence to
RATHAVJCTI,
who gives him his daughter, with many valuable
presents, but
at the end of the ceremony the *Mishi* departed
for the woods
to resume his austerities: it is not said if he took
his wife with
him, but it is to be so inferred.

⁸ *Gomatik*, according to the comment, means,
havjng water,
rivers, being in the plm-al: as the name of a

river it would be